# MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING ARTESIA, NEW MEXICO January 26, 2016

The City Council of the City of Artesia, New Mexico met in the City Council Chambers at City Hall on Tuesday, January 26, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. in regular session with Mayor Phillip Burch presiding, and the following present to wit:

Jose Luis Aguilar

Raul Rodriguez

Kent Bratcher

Bill Rogers

Terry Hill

Nora Sanchez

Manuel Madrid Jr.

Jeff Youtsey

The following were absent:

None

Also present:

Aubrey Hobson, City Clerk-Treasurer

John Caraway, City Attorney

It was determined that a quorum was present. The invocation was given by Councilor Rodriguez, and all joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### City Departments and Employees

Commander Lindell Smith recognized the employees and management of the Hotel Artesia, for their assistance with lodging for the Police Department employees during Winter Storm, Goliath.

### **Consent Agenda**

Councilor Rodriguez moved to approve the Consent Agenda minus item 9-A. The motion was seconded by Councilor Youtsey and upon vote, the motion passed.

The Consent Agenda includes:

- Approval of Minutes:
- \*January 12, 2016 Board of Appeals
- \*January 12, 2016 Regular meeting
- 2. Consideration of Bids:
- 3. Contracts, Leases and Agreements:
  - A. \*Approval of MOA with Elite Medical Transport LLC of Texas
  - B. \*Approval of MOA with Elite Medical Transport LLC of New Mexico
  - C. \*Approval of MOA with Superior Ambulance Service, Roswell, New Mexico
- 4. Appointments:
  - A. Approval of the re-appointment of Jennifer Duff to the Museum Commission (*term to expire January 2018*)
  - B. Approval of the re-appointment of Naomi Florez to the Museum Commission (term to expire January 2018)
  - C. Approval of the re-appointment of Juli Newton to the Museum Commission (*term to expire January 2018*)
  - D. Approval of the re-appointment of Tim Trentham to the Museum Commission (term to expire January 2018)
  - E. Approval of the appointment of Maria Escamilla Landrie to the Museum Commission (term to expire January 2018)

- 5. Resignations:
  - A. Accept the resignation of Sonny Bernal, Recreation Specialist, effective January 15, 2016
  - B. Accept the resignation of James Herrera, Humane Officer, effective January 25, 2016
  - C. Accept the resignation of Eddie Fernandez, Water Technician, effective January 4, 2016
  - D. Accept the resignation of Kyle McCauley, Detention Officer, effective January 29, 2016
- 6. Dates of Hearing:
  - A. Approval to set a public hearing on February 23, 2016 for consideration to approve an Ordinance for Case No. 16-01, a Zone Change from SA-2 Residential District and MH Manufactured/Mobile Home District to Commercial Business District; 2218 and 2302 W. Grand Ave.; Lots 1 and 2 of Gunter Block 5 Artesia Schools Replat; Owners Pecos Valley Regional Education and Artesia Public Schools.
- 7. \*Travel and Training:
  - A. Police Permission for four (4) employees to attend the NASRO conference in Anaheim, CA
  - B. Police Permission for one (1) employee to attend the Unmanned Aerial Vehicles: Ground School & Flight training in Scottsdale, AZ
  - C. Police Permission for one (1) employee to attend the Child Safety Seat Clinic in Sunland Park, NM
  - D. Police Permission for one (1) employee to attend the Developing & Revising Policy & Procedure training in Albuquerque, NM
  - E. Police Permission for one (1) employee to attend the Investigative Statement Analysis training in Rio Rancho, NM
  - F. Police Permission for two (2) employees to attend the Administrative Assistants conference in Lubbock, TX
  - G. Police Permission for one (1) employee to attend the Less Lethal Instructor course in Elephant Butte, NM
  - H. Police Permission for one (1) employee to attend the Force Response to Resistance Instructor Training Program in Los Lunas, NM
  - Police Permission for one (1) employee to attend the Investigative Statement Analysis training in Rio Rancho, NM
  - J. Police Permission for one (1) employee to attend the First Responder class in Carlsbad, NM
  - K. Police Permission for one (1) employee to attend the General Instructor refresher course in Artesia. NM
  - L. Fire Permission for one (1) employee to attend the Executive Analysis of Community Risk Reduction training in Emmitsburg, MD
  - M. Planning Permission for one (1) employee to attend the American Planner's Association National conference in Phoenix, AZ
- 8. Routine Requests for City Facilities:
  - A. Shawna Hope representing Senior Salute has requested a waiver of fees for use of the Artesia Recreation Center the week of May 23-27, 2016 for the Annual Senior Salute after graduation celebration
  - B. \*Cheryl Bartlett representing the Relay for Life Permission to use Guadalupe Park on Friday, April 22, 2016 and Saturday, April 23, 2016 for the Annual Relay for Life. Request approval of use of city services and road closures as stated on application. Contingent upon proof of insurance and security
  - C. \*Artesia Car Enthusiasts and Artesia Main Street, Inc. have requested the use of Heritage Plaza from 1 pm Friday, March 25, 2016 to 5 pm Saturday, March 26, 2016 for their Annual Main Event Car Show. Request approval of use of city services and road closures as stated on application and waiver of fees. *Contingent upon proof of insurance*
- 9. Budgeted Items:
  - A. pulled for separate consideration
- 10. Non-budgeted Items:
- 11. \*Payment of Bills

Discussion took place regarding the lodger tax awards to school tournaments. Councilor Rogers moved to approve Consent Agenda item 9-A (Approval of Lodger's Tax Requests for 2016). The motion was seconded by Councilor Youtsey and upon vote, the motion passed.

### **Committee Reports**

Police and Fire

Councilor Bratcher moved to approve declare the following list as surplus and donate the items to the Rio Arriba County Sheriff's Department.

• 11 - X-26 Tasers

5 - Multi-use taser holsters

• 6 - X-26 Taser batteries

88 - 15-foot cartridges

• 15 – Single cartridge holders

70 - 21-foot cartridges

• 10 – Right-handed Taser holsters

13 - Expired 21-foot cartridges

• 5 - Left-handed Taser holsters

15 - Sets of expired concealable body armor

The motion was seconded by Councilor Aguilar and upon upon vote, the motion passed.

#### Personnel

Councilor Rogers moved, upon recommendation of the Mayor, to hire Jacob Cobos to the position of Wastewater Assistant, at a salary of \$2,363 per month (CA20), subject to the successful completion of required pre-employment testing. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro tem Hill and upon vote, the motion passed.

## Infrastructure Department

Facilities Maintenance Director John Anguiano reported on projects in the Infrastructure department.

### City Clerk

Mayor Pro tem Hill moved to approve a resolution establishing recount/recheck costs for municipal elections. The motion was seconded by Councilor Rogers and upon vote, the motion passed.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 1602**

Councilor Rodriguez moved to approve the list of precinct workers for the March 1, 2016 Municipal Election, and to set the payment for those positions at \$200 for Presiding Judge, \$150 for Judge/Clerks and \$20 for Alternates. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro tem Hill and upon vote, the motion passed.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m., January 26, 2016.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk